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For

AN EXCITATION VECTOR GENERATOR AND A METHOD FOR

GENERATING AN EXCITATION VECTOR INCLUDING A

CONVOLUTION SYSTEM (As Amended)

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of May 19, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on August 19, 2004 and which has been extended, by the herein enclosed Request for Extension of Time, to expire on September 20, 2004 (September 19, 2004 being a Sunday), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this Response.



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- Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.
 - A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- X A Request for Extension of Time.
- No additional fee is required.

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